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RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action, mailed August 28, 2001, entry of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

REMARKS

A check for the fee for a three-month extension of time accompanies this response. Any fees that may be due in connection with filing this paper, if the attached check is improper, in the wrong amount, or missing, or with this application or the parent application during their entire pendency, may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1213. If a Petition for Extension of Time is required, this paper is to be considered such petition.

Claims 6, 7, 9-11, 14-17, 20-22, 25, 26, 29, 31, 32, 39, 40, 45 and 47-49 are pending herein. No amendments to the claims are made herein.

**REJECTION OF CLAIMS 10, 11, 14-17, 20, 21, 29 and 49 UNDER 35 U.S.C. §112, SECOND PARAGRAPH**

Claims 10, 11, 14-17, 20, 21, 29 and 49 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as allegedly being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the